In the Claims:

- 1. In an expendable and machinable material capable of being cast in blocks machined to a desired shape, said material containing ethylene-vinyl resin and fatty acid ketone, the improvement consisting of the addition of at least one fatty acid.
- 2. An expendable and machinable pattern material capable of being cast in large blocks and machined to a casting shape useful in the lost pattern process of investment casting, said material consisting of essentially of ethylene-vinyl resin, at least one fatty acid ketone and at least one fatty acid.
- 3. A pattern material as claimed in claim 2 containing in amounts by weight:

5-20 % ethylene-vinyl resin,

25-75 % fatty acid,

25-75 % fatty acid ketone,

0-20 % of at least one ingredient compatible with said ethylene-vinyl resin, fatty acid and fatty acid ketone.

4. A pattern material as claimed in claim 2 containing an amounts by weight:

8-15 % ethylene-vinyl resin,

38-62 % at least one fatty acid,

38-62 % at least one fatty acid ketone.